No. 475 dated 10th Karkadagam 1100, from the Nambudiries protesting against the Nambudiri Regulation, etc.;

(b) whether they have come to know of a similar petition submitted to His Highness the Maharaja by them on the same date under another registered cover;

(c) if the answer to the above is in the affirmative, will the Government be pleased to state the reasons for the Diwan—President's reply stating that the Government have not received any such petition during the Kumbham session of the Council in 1101, when the matter was being talked?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) The President only stated that he did not remember having received any such petition. The petitions were received in Karkadagam 1100, more than 6 months before the Bill itself was brought to the notice of the Government.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—The matter was discussed here in this Council, and the President remarked that he did not remember, and now the answer is that the Government have received such petitions. I ask this question simply to point out that the petitions were sent.

President.—I said I did not remember petitions having been received. It was wrong. I am a human being like any one of you and capable of committing mistakes. I remember a particular thing, and on enquiry it is found to be not true. So my memory could not be relied on in that particular matter. That is a failing which I share with all human beings.

Government servants and joint stock companies.

135. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(1) whether Government servants are allowed to float joint stock companies, taking a prominent part therein or to be Directors in them;

(2) whether any of the Government servants are Directors in any of the joint stock companies or whether they were during the past year; if so, the names of those with the companies with which they were associated?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—(1) The Member is referred to S. O. No. 57.

(2) Vide statement appended. (*Appendix V.*)

Accommodation in the Irinjalakkuda Courts.

136. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(1) whether the insufficient accommodation at the Irinjalakkuda Law Courts has been brought to their notice;

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(2) whether the late Chief Justice himself had observe d about the lack of accommodation there, and if so, the exact r e-marks he made;

(3) whether they propose removing the sad inconve-nience to which the Vakils, officers and clients are exposed at present?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—(1) Yes, so far as the Munsiff's Court is concerned.

(2) Yes. Vide copy appended. (*Vide Appendix VI.*)

(3) Orders have been issued to the Chief Engineer in the matter.

The article in the "Lokaprakasam" about the Chittur Munsiff.

137. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—(1) Has the attention of the Government been drawn to the articles in the *Lokaprakasam* dated 16th August 1926 and the following issues regarding the wholesale slander of 'Foreign Brahmins' in the judgment of the present District Munsiff of Chittur;

(2) whether the Government do not consider it objec-tionable in tone;

(3) if the answer to (2) is in the affirmative, will the Government be pleased to state the action they have taken in the matter;

(4) whether it is a fact that a witness summoned by the Munsiff of the same court refused the application for his batta and occasioned undesirable developments?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—(1) Yes.

(2) The Government are unable to give an opinion unless the particular case in which the said judgment was passed is specified.

(3) No answer is necessary in view of that furnished to (2).

(4) Without information regarding the number of the case in which the witness was summoned, the answer cannot be furnished.

The Ayurvedic Hospital, Cheruvirutti.

138. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja. (a) Will the Govern-ment be pleased to lay on the table of the House a copy of the letter of the Diwan No. 478/90, dated 21st October 1914 and the subsequent proceedings issued by the Government in February 1915, promising a free gift of the site for the Ayur-vedic Hospital at Cheruvirutti and a contribution to the funds

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APPENDIX V.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 135.)

Names of Government servants who are Directors of Joint Stock Companies, etc.

Name of Government servants.	Name of the Company with which Government servants are associated.	Part taken
1. Dr. V. Verghese, Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer 2. Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon, Chief Engineer	Cochin Electric Company, Ltd.	Directors.
3. C. Damodara Menon, clerk, Government Press	Sree Shunmukhavilasam Nayar Samajam, Ltd.	President.
4. Mr. U. Kandir Menon, acting District Judge	Sitá Ram Anglo—Ayurvedic Pharmacy Ltd., and Vaniampara Rubber Co., Ltd., Trichur	Director.
5. K. J. Antony, teacher, Government school, Trichur	Chaldean Syrian Bank, Ltd., Trichur	Managing Director.
6. Mr. Komattil Achyuta Menon, Sirkar Vakil	Ramanuja Printing House, Ltd., Trichur	Director.
7. Chiriyankandath Rappai Devassi, Parvatiam, Aranattukara	The Catholic Oriental Bank, Ltd., Aranattukara	Director.

APPENDIX VI.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 136.)

Before I left the court, the Vakils practising here took me to the Vakils' room and represented that they have no decent place for their Bar Association, and that a personal representation was made on the subject to the Diwan Mr. Vijayaraghavacharya. I do not know at what stage the matter stands. I would strongly support the request for a special room for their purpose by extending the present Vakils' room on the southern side.

APPENDIX VII. A.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 138 (a).)

Letter C. No. 478/90, dated 21st October 1914, to the Managing Director, Keraleeya Ayurveda Samajam, Trichur.

With reference to the petition dated 13th April 1914, submitted through you to His Highness the Raja, praying for pecuniary help for an Ayurvedic Hospital and College proposed to be opened at Cheruvirutti, I have the honour, by direction, to inform you that the Darbar are prepared to make a contribution to the funds of the *Samajam* limited to 1/3 of the actual collections otherwise made on this account by the *Samajam*, subject however to the restriction that such contribution shall, on no account, exceed Rs. 30,000. This contribution will be made in four annual instalments.

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